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SUBJECT: THE PLAINS CONNECTION

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1. EMBASSY CONS OFFICERS CONTINUE TO SEE EVIDENCE OF KAOHSIUNG CITY COUNCIL EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION OF KAOHSIUNG TRAVEL GROUPS IN THE JUNE 3 OPENING CEREMONIES OF THE KAOHSIUNG PARK IN PLAINS, GEORGIA. WE UNDERSTAND THAT KAOHSIUNG TOUR GROUPS THROUGHOUT THE U.S. HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF THE DATE IN THE HOPE THAT THEY WILL CHANGE THEIR ITINERARIES AND CONVERGE ON PLAINS FOR THE EVENT. TO DATE VISAS HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO REPORTERS FROM SEVERAL LOCAL NEWSPAPERS AND ONE T.V. STATION, WHICH APPARENTLY INTENDS TO VIDEOTAPE THE CEREMONY FOR BROADCAST ON TAIWAN.

2. EMBASSY HAS SEEN COPIES OF VARIOUS LETTERS FROM PLAINS MAYOR A.L. BLANTON ENCOURAGING KAOHSIUNG PERSONALITIES TO ATTEND OPENING CEREMONIES AND INCLUDING THANKS FOR DONATIONS TO THE SISTER CITY PARK PROJECT. RECIPIENTS OF THESE LETTERS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO STAY IN THE HOMES OF PLAINS RESIDENTS DURING THEIR VISIT. BASED ON VISAS ISSUED, UP TO 200 KAOHSIUNG TOURISTS
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(INCLUDING SIX KAOHSIUNG CITY COUNCILMEN IN 17 MEMBER GROUP REPORTED REF B.) MAY ADJUST THEIR SCHEDULES TO ATTEND THE PLAINS PARK OPENING.

3. COMMENT: KAOHSIUNG OFFICIALS APPEAR TO BE THE PRIME ORGANIZERS OF THIS ACTIVITY. WE ARE NOT AWARE OF SPECIFIC GROG INVOLVEMENT IN PROPOSED PUBLICITY EFFORTS

EXCEPT THAT CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN MAYORS PASSES THROUGH
ROC CONSULATE GENERAL IN ATLANTA. UNGER

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